



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of: Desjarlais, J.
Serial No.: 10/071,859
Filed: February 6, 2002
For: APPARATUS AND METHOD FOR
DESIGNING PROTEINS AND
PROTEIN LIBRARIES
Examiner: Not Yet Assigned
Group Art Unit: Not Yet Assigned
Attorney Docket No.: 823.0093USQ

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, DC 20231

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Dear Sir:

Prior to substantive examination, please make the following
amendments to the claims.

In the Claims

Please cancel claims 1-15 without prejudice or disclaimer.

Please add the following new claims:

--18. (New) A method executed by a computer under the control of a
program, said computer including a memory for storing said program, said
method comprising the steps of:

#41B
Plunkett
8/25/02
(NE)
Copy of
Amendment

04/22/2002 10071859 00000001 10071859
01 FC:203 100.00 DP
02 FC:202 84.00 DP

10071859-041702